# Mountain Weather Forecast

## South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 07 Dec 2020 until 23:59 on Tuesday 08 Dec 2020

Forecast Issued on Monday 07 Dec 2020 at 03:00 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** Medium, falling low from Wednesday.

**Headline for Monday 07 Dec 2020:** Daylight hours rather cloudy in north with some showers, snow on mountains, more sunshine in south. Then heavy snow and blizzards developing this evening with rain at lower levels, gales.

**Mountain weather hazards on Monday 07 Dec 2020**

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| **Blizzards**<br>Medium Likelihood | **Heavy Snow**<br>Medium Likelihood | **Storm force winds**<br>No Likelihood |
| **Gales**<br>Low Likelihood | **Severe chill effect**<br>Medium Likelihood | **Poor visibility**<br>Medium Likelihood |
| **Thunderstorms**<br>No Likelihood | **Heavy persistent rain**<br>Medium Likelihood | **Strong sunlight**<br>Low Likelihood |

| **Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m** | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | |
| 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| | | | | | |
| Cloudy | Cloudy | Sunny intervals | Sunny intervals | Sleet | Sleet |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | |
| 20% | 20% | 10% | 10% | 40% | 70% |

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**Weather:** Becoming bright today across the Ochils and most of the Perthshire Hills with some sunshine but a few showers will continue across the Aberdeenshire Hills and perhaps the Braes of Angus. Conditions will deteriorate from the east this evening with heavy and persistent rain, with snow above 500-600m, reaching the north of the area early this evening and then becoming widespread though always heavier in the north. With winds also strengthening blizzard conditions will develop, though later in the evening the snow level will tend to rise to nearer 900m.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 70% during daylight hours in south and 40% in north then falling to near zero this evening.

**Visibility:** Generally very good in the south but occasionally poor in showers in north then very poor to nil this evening

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**Forecast for Monday 07 Dec 2020**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1100** | 11/14 E | 14/16 NE | 16/20 N | 23/29 N | 31/39 NW | 35/45 NW | 29/38 NW |
| **900** | 7/10 E | 7/10 NE | 9/13 N | 15/20 N | 20/29 NW | 23/34 NW | 19/28 NW |
| **600** | 2/6 E | 1/5 N | 3/10 NW | 9/18 NW | 13/25 NW | 16/30 NW | 14/24 NW |
| **300** | 2/5 N | 4/8 N | 4/12 NW | 9/21 NW | 10/25 NW | 15/33 NW | 13/30 NW |
| **Glen** | 2/2 W | 3/4 W | 4/11 N | 8/19 NW | 10/24 NW | 13/29 NW | 13/28 NW |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1100** | -2/-7 | -3/-9 | -3/-10 | -3/-11 | -3/-12 | -3/-13 | -3/-12 |
| **900** | -1/-5 | -1/-5 | -1/-6 | -1/-7 | -1/-8 | -1/-9 | -1/-8 |
| **600** | 0/-1 | -0/-2 | 0/-2 | 0/-4 | 0/-5 | 0/-6 | 0/-5 |
| **300** | 1/-1 | 1/-1 | 2/0 | 2/-2 | 2/-2 | 2/-3 | 3/-2 |
| **Glen** | 1/-0 | 2/0 | 4/2 | 3/0 | 4/0 | 3/-1 | 4/-1 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 600m | 600m | 600m | 700m | 700m | 600m | 700m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**
Nothing to add

**Forecast for Tuesday 08 Dec 2020**
**Weather:** Further rain overnight, with snow above 800-900m, heavier and more persistent in the north with blizzards on the highest tops, but elsewhere lighter and more occasional. During the day mostly cloudy with further showers, these mainly of rain, but still snow above around 900m. The showers heavier and more frequent across the Aberdeenshire Hills

**Maximum wind:** Northerly 40 gusts 55mph in early hours easing northwesterly 20 gusts 30mph during the day.

**Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m:** 10-20% through daylight hours with cloud down to 5-600m, best chance of clearances in the Ochils and southern Perthshire.

**Visibility:** Below the cloud, moderate, sometimes good in drier spells and in the south, during drier spells, occasionally poor in heavier rain and mountain snow.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Plus 6 Celsius
**At 800m:** Plus 1 Celsius.
**Freezing level:** Varying 800-1000m

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